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Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Office Action of June 3, 2002, please amend the claims as indicated below and consider the following remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 3, 4 and 5 without prejudice.

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

1. (Amended) A process for producing an alkylaromatic compound comprising the step of contacting an alkylatable aromatic compound with an alkylating agent which includes an aliphatic group having at least about 2 carbon atoms, under alkylation conditions in the presence of an alkylation catalyst comprising between about 0.05 and about 0.5 wt.% phosphorus and a-porous crystalline-inorganic oxide material having an X-ray diffraction pattern including the d-spacing maxima at 12.4 ± 0.25, 6.9 ± 0.15, 3.57 ± 0.07 and 3.42 ± 0.07 Angstrom, said conditions being sufficient to produce said alkylaromatic compound.

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